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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: REPRESENTATION RE: 33RD UNGA

REF: STATE 225331

1. ON SEPTEMBER 11 EMBOFFS CALLED ON T. DAVID MOGAMI, DEPUTY PERMSEC, MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS TO EXECUTE REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS. FOLLOWING ISSUES WERE RAISED ORALLY: PUERTO RICO, SOUTHERN AFRICA, TERRORISM, AND HUMAN RIGHTS. WE LEFT TALKING POINTS ON THOSE SUBJECTS AND ALSO ON: GENERAL ECONOMIC ISSUES; THE TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATIONS DECADE IN AFRICA; THE INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY; THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE; THE MIDDLE EAST; BUDGET, MANAGEMENT AND REFORM ISSUES; AND DISARMAMENT.

2. MOGAMI LISTENED ATTENTIVELY BUT HAD FEW SUBSTANTIVE COMMENTS. HE DID STATE THAT THE GOB WOULD CONTINUE TO SUPPORT US EFFORTS TO PREVENT UNGA CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO ISSUE. (WE ASSUME THIS WAS DONE.) HE OBSERVED IN RESPONSE
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TO HUMAN RIGHTS PRESENTATION THAT FROM POINT OF VIEW OF GOB, WHOSE PRIMARY CONCERNS ARE REGIONAL RATHER THAN GLOBAL, THERE HAS BEEN LITTLE, IF ANY, HUMAN RIGHTS PROGRESS DURING PAST YEAR.

3. ISSUE OF DISARMAMENT WAS FIRST RAISED BY MOGAMI. HE MADE PLAIN THAT HERE AGAIN GOB INTEREST

IS PRIMARILY REGIONAL; FOCUS OF ITS CONCERN IS DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR CAPABILITY BY SOUTH AFRICA. MOGAMI STATED HE HAD RAISED QUESTION WITH SOVIET AMBASSADOR AND EXPRESSED DESIRE ON PART OF HIS MINISTER (AND BY IMPLICATION OTHERS IN GOB) TO BE KEPT UP TO DATE CONCERNING ANY DEVELOPMENTS.

4. DEPUTY PERMSEC PROMISED TO TRANSMIT TALKING POINTS TO GOB UN MISSION. HE OBSERVED THAT DUE TO STAFFING PROBLEMS GOB DELEGATION TO UNGA WILL BE UNUSUALLY THIN THIS YEAR.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT REQUESTED PROVIDE AN ASSESSMENT OF SAG CAPABILITIES AND INTENTIONS IN NUCLEAR FIELD AND AN EVALUATION OF EFFORTS TO CONVINCE SAG TO ACCEDE TO NPT WHICH CAN BE SHARED WITH GOB.
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